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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF APPLICANT'S STATUS

Concurrently with the filing of this application applicant submitted a small entity declaration and has been paying small entity fees throughout the prosecution of this application. For some unexplained reason, the Notice of Allowance erroneously does <u>not</u> indicate applicant's small entity status (which continues). Accordingly, the issue fee transmittal form has been corrected to reflect the fact that only small entity fees are currently being paid.

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